

Appendix A

Claim Amendments

1. (Currently amended) A ciclesonide-containing sterile aqueous suspension sterilized by autoclaving, wherein the concentration of ciclesonide after autoclaving is 95% or more compared ~~comparing~~ to that before autoclaving.
2. (Original) The ciclesonide-containing sterile aqueous suspension according to claim 1 additionally containing hydroxypropylmethylcellulose.
3. (Original) The ciclesonide-containing sterile aqueous suspension according to claim 2, wherein the hydroxypropylmethylcellulose is hydroxypropylmethylcellulose 2910.
4. (Original) A method of manufacturing a ciclesonide-containing sterile aqueous suspension comprising the step of sterilization by autoclaving a ciclesonide-containing aqueous suspension.

5. (Currently amended) The method of manufacturing a ciclesonide-containing sterile aqueous suspension according to claim 4, wherein the concentration of ciclesonide after autoclaving is 95% or more compared comparing to that before autoclaving.
6. (Currently amended) The method of manufacturing a ciclesonide-containing sterile aqueous suspension according to claim 4 any one of claims 4 through 5, wherein the ciclesonide-containing sterile aqueous suspension additionally contains hydroxypropylmethylcellulose.
7. (Original) The method of manufacturing a ciclesonide-containing sterile aqueous suspension according to claim 6, wherein the hydroxypropylmethylcellulose is hydroxypropylmethylcellulose 2910.
8. (New) The method of manufacturing a ciclesonide-containing sterile aqueous suspension according to claim 5, wherein the ciclesonide-containing sterile

aqueous suspension additionally contains hydroxypropylmethylcellulose.

9. (New) The method of manufacturing a ciclesonide-containing sterile aqueous suspension according to claim 8, wherein the hydroxypropylmethylcellulose is hydroxypropylmethylcellulose 2910.